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- ☒ 23 pages of specification, claims, abstract.
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☐ Priority Claimed.
- ☐ Certified copy of \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ 5 sheets of formal drawing.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.  
and the assignment recordation fee.
- ☐ An associate power of attorney.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and reference.
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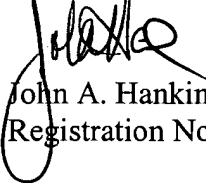
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